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MANUFACTURED FISHERY PRODUCTS INCREASE 12 PERCENT IN 1939

Fishery products, valued at \$175,510,000, were manufactured during 1939 in the United States and Alaska.

These consisted of 234,625,094 pounds of fresh and frozen packaged products, valued at \$30,642,519; 96,994,313 pounds of cured products, worth \$14,201,121; 718,395,095 pounds of canned products, worth \$96,627,550; and \$34,038,814 worth of byproducts, according to information released today by the Division of Fishery Industries, Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior, in Statistical Bulletin No. 1428.

Compared with the revised figure for the previous year, the 1939 total represents an increase of \$19,378,573, or 12 percent.

Some of the products listed in the bulletin have been manufactured from raw materials imported from another country; therefore, they cannot be correlated directly with the catch within the United States and Alaska. The imported percentage, however, is very small compared to the domestic totals.

All together, a total of 83 separate classifications are listed. Culled at random, such diversified categories as these appear: alligator hides (88,356 pounds, worth \$7,363); whale oil (3,417,480 gallons, at \$1,099,683);

fish for cat and dog food (566,673 standard cases, at \$1,109,112); fur seal oil (27,966 gallons at \$8,704); fish glue (335,699 gallons, worth \$654,635); and miscellaneous canned shellfish products (34,166 standard cases, at \$198,549) which include such delicacies as canned oyster soup, pickled mussels, shrimp soup, frog and frog legs, crab and shrimp gumbo, crayfish soup, squid, shellfish Newberg, clam cakes, and shellfish paste.